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BRUCE HYNDMAN HENLEY) Examiner: Not Assigned
on SPIKED CONVEYOR BELT) Group Art Unit: Unknown
Serial No.: 10/539,253)
Filed on: June 18, 2005) (Our Docket No. 7243-0003WOUS)

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Dear Sirs:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the references set forth below and listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A are being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. Copies of the cited foreign references are enclosed.

<u>U.S. Patent No</u>	<u>Entitled</u>	<u>Dated</u>
4,718,541	Tobacco Feeder with Slat Conveyors	01/12/1988
6,467,610	Modular Conveyor Belts with Pin-Retained Attachments	10/22/2002

<u>Intl Publ. No</u>	<u>Entitled</u>	<u>Dated</u>
WO 01/32501	Method and Installation for Forming a Multipack Consisting of a Large Bag Made of Foil Material in Which More Than Six Bags Filled with Crisps or Other Material are Packed	10.05.2001

<u>Foreign Patent No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Dated</u>
DE 100 17 156 A1	Germany	11.10.2001
EP 1 169 903 A1	Europe	09.01.2002
DE 44 32 917 A1	Germany	16.03.1995
AU-A-64579/86	Australia	07.05.1987

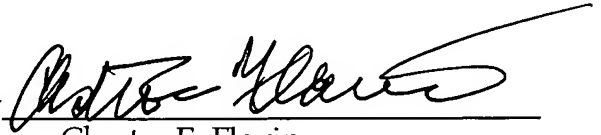
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